

TO:FCC RE:NAB PETITION 04-160

REGARDING THE RECENT PETITION TO STOP XM SATELLITE FROM PROVIDING INSTANT TRAFFIC & WEATHER. THIS IS A SERVICE FOR WHICH I PAY FOR. WHEN I AM DRIVING FROM THE COUNTRY INTO THE CITY SUCH AS BOSTON OR ANY WHERE ELSE, I HAVE USEFUL INFORMATION AT MY FINGERTIPS. AT WHICH POINT IN TIME I CAN REROUTE MY TRIP INSTEAD OF CANCELLING OR GETTING TO THE APPOINTED PLACE LATE.

I GET THIS INFORMATION FROM MY SATELLITE RADIO SERVICE. I DON'T HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE HOURLY NEWS OR JUST THE AM & AFTERNOON TRAFFIC INFO. DO NOT GET ME WRONG I STILL LISTEN TO MY LOCAL STATION IN THE AM SO I AM UPDATED JUST BEFORE I GO OUT THE DOOR IN THE MORNING. BUT LOCAL CHANNELS DO NOT PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION 24/7. AND WHEN ONE HAS TO DRIVE TO GET SOMEPLACE, ANYPLACE THIS IS USEFUL INFORMATION. I ALSO PAY FOR THIS INFORMATION AND SINCE I AM PAYING FOR IT, I WANT IT.

SO BASICALLY IT COMES TO THIS, YOU MUST REJECT THE NAB'S PETITION 04-160. THE CHOICE IS MINE AS A CONSUMER TO PAY FOR AND LISTEN TO WHAT I WANT AND NOT TO BE DICTATED TO BY SOME ELSE BECAUSE THEY FEEL THREATENED. THANK YOU NA MARINEAU